

General Instructions

To be observed by

Appointed

*Cap. James Moody -
Cap. of the Ship the Vulture*

IN the first place, you are to take care that Almighty God be duly served on Board your Ship twice every Day, by the whole Ships Company, according to the Liturgy of the Church of England; and that Blasphemy, Drunkenness, Swearing and Profaneness, be discountenanced, restrained and punished, according to the Rules establishd on that behalf, and hereafter following, *Pag. 15.*

*To serve God, and
restrain Debauchery.*

II. You are immediately to repair on Board Their MAJESTIES *Frigate the Vulture* - whereof you are appointed Commander, and carefully to observe in what condition she is, and in what time she may be fit for the Sea; whereof you are to give an account to the Secretary of the Admiralty for the Information of Their Majesties, or the Lord High Admiral of England, or Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, and the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy, and to continue to do the same to the said Officers and Commissioners under your Hand, once in each Week at least, so long as she continues in petty Warrant Victuals, expressing therein the weekly Advance made in the fitting the said Ship, the Shipping of Provision, and Stores, and entrance of her Men: As also, whether there be any neglect in any of the Officers of the Yard, or of the Ship, in the dispatch of her, and who are guilty of the same, to the end Offenders may be punished, and the service hastened.

To give weekly account of the progress in fitting the Ship while in Petty-Warrant.

III. You are to demand and receive from the Clerk of the Survey, a Survey-Book, containing the Qualities and Conditions of each particular

To inspect the Rigging, Cables, &c. before he breaks Ground.

cular Parcel of her running and standing Rigging, and the most considerable of the Boatswain Stores, *viz.* Cables and small Cordage, Anchors, spare Canvas, and Sails; and that immediately before your breaking Ground, you do, with the assistance of the Master, (who is hereby required to attend you on that service) call over the Rigging of the Ship, and carefully inspect the same, and to observe distinctly what new Cordage is imployed in Rigging of the Ship; that so when the King hath allowed new, the Ship be not supplied with old.

To be at the bringing of all Stores on Board, that none be left behind, and why.

IV. You are carefully to enquire after, and observe the bringing on Board the several Stores and Provisions for the use of the Ship, that the same may be done in due time, and no part thereof be left behind, and Their Majesties put to an unnecessary charge in transporting the same after the Ship set Sail; and if you find any neglect or abuse therein, to give Information thereof to the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy, before you depart out of the Limits of the Port from whence your Ship is in fitting: As being that without which the full proportion of your said Stores and Provisions is to be supposed intirely and in good quality put on Board you, and you thereby made answerable for whatever Damage or Inconvenience shall be found to arise from the want thereof.

To take a Counter-part of all Indents, that it may be known, what he must set forth with.

V. So soon as any of your Officers charged with any of Their Majesties Stores or Provisions, shall have signed to his Indent, in the respective Offices from whence he receives the same, you are to require each of the said Officers to produce to you the Counter-part of his said Indents, that so, by comparing the same with the accompt by you daily kept of what hath been brought aboard you, you may know what Stores and Provisions you ought to set forth with, and what part thereof remains undelivered.

To appoint his Clerk to see all Stores, &c. come aboard, and why.

VI. And forasmuch as it is become a frequent (though insufferable) abuse, that the Officers intrusted with Their Majesties Stores, as well of Victuals, as Ammunition, Rigging, and Carpenters Stores, do imbezle the same very often before they be brought on Board, you shall therefore appoint your Clerk, to whom the Incouragement of the Pay of a Mid-shipman is, for your Ease, expresly allowed on that behalf, to keep an account in Writing of such Victuals, Stores, and Ammunition, as are sent on Board; that so you may not wholly relie either on the Purser, Boatswain, Gunner or Carpenter, for bringing the respective Provisions on Board, by whose neglect or fraud a Voyage may be lost, and the Lives of the Ships Company hazarded. And you are also to take care, that none of your Sea-Victuals be expended during the time the Ship shall be in Petty-Warrant.

To be always on Board, and the commencement of his Pay.

VII. And forasmuch as for the enabling you rightly to execute your Duty already mentioned, in seeing your Ship timely dispatcht, her Provisions duly brought on Board inventoried and well stowed, and to give seasonable advice to the Secretary of the Admiralty for the Information of Their Majesties, or the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, and the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy,

Navy, of all Hindrances or Neglects arising therein, from any of the Offices of Their Majesties Yards, or otherwise, it is indispensably necessary, that you your self do give your constant and personal attendance on Board your said Ship. You are hereby directed to endeavour above all things to forward the fitting your own Cabbin, or some other, so as to enable you to lodge on Board, from the first Night of your doing whereof, you are, upon Certificate of the same from the Master-Attendant and Clerk of the *Cheque*, to be entituled to Their Majesties Pay, and not sooner. And in order to the safe keeping of the said Ship, and preservation of good Order therein, when abroad, and timely and orderly clearing her of her Stores and Provisions at her coming home; You are hereby strictly forbid to lie any one Night from on Board your said Ship, from the time of your entrance into Their Majesties Pay by virtue of your present Commission, to the determination of her Voyage, and her being discharged, upon any occasion whatsoever, other than by Order from Their Majesties, the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, or your Superior Officer. Provided that this extend not to the Commander in Chief, or any Flag-Officer of any Fleet, or Squadron of Ships in present service, care being by them taken, that the Duty here enjoined them as private Commanders, be, in their absence, effectually supplied by their respective Lieutenants, who are diligently to attend the same, as in the third Article of their Instructions hereafter following, *Pag. 17th.* they are to that purpose enjoined.

Not to lie a Shore.

Flag-Officers dispensed with.

VIII. You are to enquire that the Victuallers Hand be produced by the Purser for the quantity of Victuals delivered for the use of the Ship, and in what Vessels the same was sent aboard you.

Victuallers Hand to be produced by the Purser for Provisions delivered.

IX. You are not to suffer any of Their Majesties Stores to be employed or spent on Board Their Majesties Ship under your Command, nor to permit the cutting the Clench, Splice, or Fag-end of a Cable, or any Sail to be cut, to be reduced to a lesser, or Canvas to mend the old, but what your self, with the Assistance of your Master, upon your special view, have judged fit and requisite, and given Order for; and that a Survey of the greater Works, necessary to be done, be under your own, and your Master's Hand for your Justification, that so all needless waste may be prevented, or you your self left inexcusable, if any be made. And you are also to note in your Survey-Book upon each Rope, what change hath been during the Voyage, what Stores have been employed or lent, and on what Service, what Cordage or Canvas, what Cables, Anchors, or Grapnels have been lost, and by what accident; which Survey-Book so noted, as aforesaid, you are immediately upon your arrival to send to the Surveyor of Their Majesties Navy. And you are to take care, that no Stores be lent to Their Majesties Ships, but what there is necessity for, nor to Merchants, but what your self will be responsible for, and that without fail by the first opportunity of Conveyance, you cause an Account thereof, signed by you self, to be transmitted to the Surveyor, to charge it on any of Their Majesties Ships, or require it from the Merchants.

To cut no Cable.

To survey Repairs on Board before they are gone in Hand with.

To keep a Survey-Book.

To lend no Stores to Merchants.

*To keep an account
of the Expence of all
Stores, &c.*

X. You are once every Week, or oftner, if you see cause, to take an account of the Expence of Boatswains, Gunners, and Carpenters Stores, keeping a Counter-Book thereof, that so you may always know the Condition of the Ships Stores; and likewise be enabled, knowingly and assuredly, to sign their Accompts at the end of the Voyage, and that your neglect herein may not misguide you to sign such things as upon Examination shall be found false: In case of which Neglects, and your signing to any such undue Allowances to either of the said Officers or Purser, you are to indemnifie Their Majesties against whatever Loss or Damage may arise from the same. And in order to the better, and more timely prevention and discovery of any such Neglects, it is hereby declared, That you are not to expect from Their Majesties the payment of your Wages, until the Books and Accompts of your Purser shall be brought in to the Comptroller of Their Majesties Navy, and the like of your Boatswain and Carpenter to the Surveyor, the Gunner to the Office of the Ordnance, all vouched with your own Hand, or that it shall appear to the said Principal Officers of the Navy, and Officers of the Ordnance, that you have, as far as is in your power, done full right to Their Majesties, and your said under-Officers, in the vouching of the just Expences relating to their respective Provisions and Stores.

*To sign to his Of-
ficers Accompts be-
fore he expects his
Pay.*

*How to enter Men,
and by what cautions.*

XI. So soon as there shall be Order given for entring Men upon the Ship, you are to receive, from the Clerk of the *Cheque* of the Yard, where the Ship lies, a Note, signifying what Number of Men are allowed for the Ship, during the present Voyage, and then diligently to apply your self for the procuring your Complement, according to such Order as shall be issued by the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy, and therein to be very careful to make choice of such as are able Men, and fit for Their Majesties Service, not suffering the Ship to be pestered with Boys or infirm persons: And during the Voyage, you are to take care, that your Establishd Number be constantly kept compleat, and that you do not bear any Supernumeraries on the Book, unless you have an expresse Order for so doing, either from Their Majesties, the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord Admiral for the time being, or your Commander in Chief, except such of Their Majesties Subjects as shall happen to be Shipwrackt and distressed, as also Slaves redeemed, or those whom you shall take out of Foreign Ships, who are not to have any Pay, and therefore you are to take care, that the Purser of Their Majesties Ship under your Command do bear them in a distinct Book, or Column of his Book, separate from such as are of the Ships Company, and are to have Pay: And so soon as you shall come into any of Their Majesties Dominions, you shall Land such Supernumerary Seamen, as you have so received on Board, either out of Foreigners, or Shipwrackt Persons, or Slaves redeemed, that so Their Majesties may not be put to any unnecessary Charge. And for the better securing Their Majesties against the Damage They have heretofore been found to sustain from the non-performance of this Article in point of Supernumeraries; it is hereby declared, That you shall, out of your Wages, or otherwise, indemnifie Their Majesties against all Charge
which

*And how to bear
Supernumeraries.*

which shall accrue from your bearing of undue Supernumeraries, as well for Viſuals, as Wages.

XII. You are, before your going to Sea, to receive from the Clerk of the *Cheque* of the Yard, a perfect Muſter-Book of your Mens Names, and their Entries, and his *Cheque* upon ſuch as have not appeared at his laſt Muſter. *To receive a perfect Muſter-Book from the laſt Cheque.*

XIII. When any Men ſhall be entertained to ſerve in Their Majeſties Ship under your Command, you are forthwith to write down in a Book to be kept by your ſelf for that purpoſe, in the form hereafter following, *Pag. 19.* (and whereof a ſufficient Number of Copies ſhall be delivered you, at the beginning of your Voyage, by the Clerk of the Acts of Their Majeſties Navy, on whom you are to call and give a Receipt for the ſame, and to whom you are alſo, at the end of the Voyage, to render an account under your Hand of their Expence) the Names of ſuch Perſons ſo entertained, expreſſing the Day of the Month, and the Year of their reſpective Entries, with the Number under which he is firſt entred in your ſaid Book, and is to ſtand in all ſubſequent Muſter-Books, and ſo likewiſe to inſert therein the particular Day of every Man's diſcharge before you ſign their Tickets. And you are once every Week to Muſter your Ships Company, and to keep exact Prick and *Cheque* upon all Perſons abſent without liſenſe, that you may thereby be enabled to ſet down the Day of any Man's running away or Death; which, together with the Qualities of each Man ſerving under you, you are from time to time to note in your ſaid Book. And you are alſo once in every two Months to ſend up unto the Navy-Office two Muſter-Books, one for the Treasuſer, and the other for the reſt of the principal Officers and Commiſſioners of Their Majeſties Navy, (to be ſigned by your ſelf, and the reſt of the Officers, who uſually ſign Tickets) of the Names, times of Entry, Diſcharge, Death, or running away, together with the Quality of every one of your Company, and what Cloaths have from time to time been iſſued to each of them, as alſo of the Place or Ship, at, out of, or to which each Man was entertained, preſt, removed, or diſcharged, that they may be thereby guided in ſigning and paying ſuch Tickets as ſhall be made by you, during the Voyage. You are further required, ſo ſoon as your Ship ſhall come to Anchor in the Port, where you are to be laid up at the end of the Voyage, to ſend up the Original Book above-mentioned, kept with your own Hand, to the Comptroller of Their Majeſties Navy. *How to keep a Sea-Book.* *Muſter his Men weekly.* *And ſend N. O. Muſter-Books every two Months.*

XIV. You are to be very careful not to diſcharge Men by Ticket unneceſſarily, the intent of that Practice being principally for ſick Men; and when you ſhall diſcharge any, you are to take care in the Rating of them, not Rating any able Seamen which are not ſo, and to uſe the like care in Rating the Sea-Book at the end of the Voyage. *How to diſcharge Men by Tickets.*

XV. You are not to allow any Man on Board your Ship as an able Seaman, who hath not continu'd five Years at Sea, (uſual Intervals between Voyages excepted) and unleſs he hath, and can perform the whole Labour and Duty of an able Seamen, and be Twenty Years of Age; *How to rate Seamen.*

Age ; and you are to make no Person a Midshipman (where Midshipmen are allowed) that hath not served seven Years, at least, at Sea, and unless he be able to Navigate the Ship he belongs to, except you shall receive special Warrant for so doing.

How to rate the Ships Company.

XVI. You are, together with the Master and Boatswain, (and with the Gunner and Carpenter for their Crews) to conclude who are to be inferiour Officers, and also able Seamen, (Ordinary Seamen, Gromets and Boys, expressing the same upon the Sea-Book, without partiality or favour. And for the better securing Their Majesties against the Damages they have heretofore been found to sustain from the non-performance of this Article; It is hereby declared, That you, together with your said Officers, shall be accomptable to Their Majesties for whatever Damage they shall be found to have received from your false Rating of Persons above their just Quality, or bearing them where they did not serve, or longer than indeed they ought to have been born.

The Penalty of false Rating.

None of the Seamen to go on shore without leave.

XVII. You are to take care to keep your Ship's Company in good Order and Discipline, and that they be on Board always in a readiness for Service, and for preventing of Debauchery when absent from the Ship; therefore none to go off but by leave from your self, or in your absence from the Lieutenant or Master.

How to quarter his Men, that every Man may know his Duty.

XVIII. Before your Ship goes out of the Harbour, you are to take care for Quartering of your Men, appointing a sufficient Number of fuitable Men for the Great Guns, Small-shot, Trimming of Sails, &c. as is usual, that so every Man, upon occasion of Service, may know his particular Duty and Station; and you are not only to cause a Table, fairly written, to be hanged up in the Steeridge, of all the Mens Names in the Ship, and their respective Quarters, but also to cause a small Bill to be fixed in every Quarter of the Ship, containing the Names of such Men as are appointed for that Quarter.

To disburse no Money upon the Ship abroad unnecessarily.

XIX. When the Ship, under your Command, shall be upon Foreign Service, you are not to disburse any Mones for furnishing the Ship with Stores, Victuals, or other Necessaries, unless there shall be an absolute and unavoidable Necessity, or that you have express Order from your Superiour for your so doing: And in case of any such Disbursements, there will be no Allowance made you thereupon, but for such as you can produce sufficient Vouchers.

To deliver none but printed Tickets. And with what Cautions.

XX. You are not to sign any Ticket upon discharge of any of your Men, but such as shall be Printed Tickets, to prevent the great prejudice, which too often happens to Their Majesties, by counterfeiting of Tickets; nor shall you suffer any such Tickets to be issued to any Seaman discharged, without being signed by your self, Master, Purser, and Boatswain, together with the Gunner and Carpenter for their respective Crews; or cause shewn upon the said Ticket of the want of either of the said Officers Hands; nor that upon any pretence whatsoever any Ticket be made out, before the Person, for whom the same is made, be actually discharged, and the said Person, or some other, lawfully impowered to demand the same. And you are, before your going

going to Sea, to send to, or call on the Clerk of the Acts, who, upon your Receipt for the same, is to supply you with a competent Number of Printed Tickets, which you are carefully to keep by you, and use; as there shall be occasion; and upon your return home, to give an accompt under your Hand to the said Clerk of the Acts, of the Expence of every individual Ticket, specifying the Numeral Letter and Number, by which each Ticket is distinguished, with the Day of its signing, the Person for whose Service, as well as the Person to whose Hand the same was by you issued, and to deliver back to the said Clerk of the Acts, so many of the said Tickets, as shall therein be found remaining in your Hands.

XXI. As often as your Ship shall come into any Port to be laid on Shore, or Careened, you are to take special care, that the Officers and Seamen be kept together, and give their constant attendance to get her off seasonably and safe to her Moarings again; and not to think their Duty at an end, when they have first Moared her, or when she is on Shore, although it happen to be in a Port where the Officers and People of Their Majesties Yard are at Hand to assist.

To keep his Men together when at anchor.

XXII. And you are strictly to take care, during the Voyage, by the help of your Carpenter's Crew, to keep your Ship well caulked, both on her Decks and Side, and to see all things seasonably done for the well-keeping the Body of Their Majesties said Ship, in what concerns the Duty of that Officer and his Crew. The like you are also to do in reference to the seasonable repairing, marling, and drying your Sails, and doing what else relates to the Preservation, and Husbandly Expence of what Stores comes within the care of the Boatswain.

To keep his Ship in a good Trim.

XXIII. As often as the Ship under your Command shall come into any Port or Road to Reviſtual, or shall Reviſtual at Sea, you shall send to the Viſtualler of Their Majesties Navy, or their Agent, an Accompt of the Number of Men born short in Viſtualling, or Supernumeraries since the preceding Viſtualling, reducing them to so many Men for one Day; adding likewise the reason of the bearing Supernumeraries, (if any be born) whether they were Prisoners, or Men transported, or upon any other occasion, to the end, that a true knowledge may be always had of the state of the Viſtualling of Their Majesties Ships, and how long time they are in a condition for service, which without the aforeſaid Accompt, cannot be known, because many times, by reason of the extraordinary Expence of Viſtuals upon Supernumeraries, (especially during a War) the Ship cannot stay out so long as the Admiral might expect.

How to Reviſtual.

XXIV. When the Viſtualling of the Ship shall not hold out in equal Proportions, but that one or more Species of Viſtuals shall fall short of the rest, you are strictly to examine the reason of the same, and whether it hath happened by reason of the Leakidge of Cask, or defectiveness of any sort of Provision, that shall have been cast, (upon due survey thereof first had) or that the Purser did receive broken Proportion of Viſtuals from the Viſtualler, (which nevertheless is not approved of, nor to be used but upon urgent Necessity:)

How to checke the falling short of Viſtuals in proportion.

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In which case the Purser is to produce the Bill of Credit given him by the Victualler, for the Victuals received short: And if it shall appear that neither of these ways the Victuals shall fall out unequal, it may justly be suspected, that the Purser hath imbezled the same; and therefore you are to acquaint the Admirals therewith, if you shall be near the Flag, or if in Harbour, you are to represent the same unto the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy, that the Purser may be called to an accompt for the same, and punished according to his desert.

Sick and wounded.

XXV. You are to keep an accompt distinct, of such Men as shall happen to be sick or wounded; and once every Week you are to make up Accompts with the Purser, of sick and wounded Men, or any others absent, and set that matter right in your Book, which you do keep in your own custody.

How to enter Men into Victuals.

XXVI. You are not to allow of any Man to be Victualled, till you have entred him on your own Book, and sent him with a Note under your own Hand unto the Steward for Victuals; which Note shall be the Steward's only Voucher for his Issues upon the weekly Day for accompting.

*To assist as all Must-
fers.*

XXVII. You are at all times to give way to, and assist the Muster-Master, and Clerk of the *Cheque*, in their respective Mustering of your Ships Company, whenever they shall make offer of doing the same; and to see, that, without Excuse, the Purser, or, in their absence, their Stewards, do furnish them with Books prepared according to the Method within mentioned, which you are, to that purpose, to see that they do timely call for a supply of, from the Clerk of the *Cheque* of the Yard, from whence your Ship is fitted forth.

Issuing of Cloaths.

XXVIII. You are, with all care and exactness, to see executed the Rules established before the late War for the issuing of Cloaths to Seamen; which Rules having been in some Points dispensed with during that time, the Execution thereof afresh, together with the late additional ones made thereto, is hereby strictly enjoined you for the time to come, as the same will be made known to you in the Copy thereof hereafter following, *Pag. 24.*

*Purser provide Six
Pay-Books.*

XXIX. You are to take special care at the coming in of your Ship to be laid up, not to suffer your Purser, upon any pretence whatever, to depart the Ship, until six Pay-Books be provided, according to the form hereafter following, *Pages 20, 21.* Which Books, so prepared and signed by your self and signing Officers, you are personally to take care to see immediately dispatht to the Principal Officers and Commissioners of the Navy, as you will answer for what Inconveniencies and Damage may arise to Their Majesties from the neglect thereof.

*Maintain the
Kings Honour.*

XXX. You are upon all Occasions to endeavour the maintaining of Their Majesties Honour abroad, giving Protection to Their Subjects, and endeavouring what in you lies to secure and encourage them in their Trade; and you are not to injure any of the Subjects of Their Majesties Friends or Allies.

XXXI. Upon

XXXI. Upon your meeting with any Ship or Ships within Their Majesties Seas, (which for your better guidance herein, you are to take notice that they extend to *Cape Finisterre*) belonging to any Foreign Prince or State, you are to expect, that in their passing by you, they strike their Top-Sail, and take in their Flag, in acknowledgment of Their Majesties Sovereignty in those Seas; and if any shall refuse to do it, or offer to resist, you are to use your utmost endeavour to compel them thereunto, and in no wise to suffer any Dishonour to be done to Their Majesties: And in case any of Their Majesties Subjects should be so far forgetful of their Duty, as to omit striking their Top Sail, as they pass by you, when it may be done without the loss of the Voyage, you are to bring him to the Flag to answer his contempt, or otherwise to return the Name of the Ship, and of the Master unto the Secretary of the Admiralty, for the information of Their Majesties, or the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or Commissioners for the Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being; as also of the place from whence, and the Port to which she shall be bound; and you are to make the Master of her to pay the charge of what Shot you shall make at her. And you are further to take notice, that in Their Majesties Seas, Their Majesties Ships are in no wise to strike to any; and that in other parts, no Ship of Their Majesties is to strike her Flag or Top-Sail to any Foreigner, unless such Foreign Ship shall have first struck, or at the same time strike her Flag or Top-Sail to Their Majesties Ship, except in the Harbour of some Foreign Prince, or in the Road within shot of Cannon of some Fort or Castle, where you are to send ashore to inform your self what return they will make to your Salute; and in case you have good assurance that you shall be answered Gun for Gun, you are then to Salute the Port, as is usual: But if you shall not be well assured that you shall have an equal Number of Guns returned you, you are then in no wise to salute that place. And in case the Ship wherein you now Command, shall at the same time carry Their Majesties Flag, you are, before you salute the place, carefully to inform your self how Flags (of the same quality with that you carry) of other Princes have been saluted there; and you are to insist on it to be saluted with as great respect and advantage as any Flag of the same quality with yours, of any other Prince hath been saluted in that place from which you are in no wise to depart.

Salutes.

XXXII. You are hereby directed (pursuant to an Order of Council of the 30 June 1681,) to observe for the future the same Rules for Salutes in the Port of *Genoua*, as you do at *Livorne*, and all other Ports, without any distinction, notwithstanding any former Practice.

Salutes at Genoua.

XXXIII. As for Salutes, you are to take notice of, and strictly to follow this ensuing Regulation, viz. A Captain of a Ship of the Second Rate, being neither Admiral, Vice-Admiral, nor Rear Admiral, at his first coming and saluting his Admiral and Commander in Chief, is to give Eleven Pieces, his Vice-Admiral Nine, and his Rear Admiral Seven, and the other proportionably less by two according to their Ranks; but the Commander of any Ship is not to salute his Admiral or Commander in Chief, after he hath done it once, except he hath been absent from the Flag two Months. When

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a Ship of the Second Rate shall carry any Ambassador, Duke, or Noble Man, at his coming Aboard, he is to give Eleven Pieces, and at his Landing Fifteen : And when he shall carry a Knight, Lady, or a Gentleman of Quality, at their coming Aboard he is to give Seven Pieces, and at their Landing Eleven, and other Ships are to give less by Two, according to their Ranks and number of Ordnance. When an Admiral of a Foreign Nation is met with, he is to be answered with the like number by all the Ships he shall Salute. If a Vice Admiral, the Admiral is then to answer him with Two less ; but the Vice-Admiral, and the Reer-Admiral, and as many of the rest as he shall Salute shall give him the like number. If a Reer-Admiral, then the Admiral, and Vice-Admiral to answer him with Two less ; but if he shall Salute the Reer-Admiral, or any other, they are to answer him in the like number. When a Man of War, or Merchant-Man of another Nation, or of our own, Salute any of Their Majesties Ships, he is to be answered by Two less ; when any of the Captains of Their Majesties Ships shall have occasion to Salute any of Their Majesties Castles, he is to give Two Guns less than they are directed to give upon Saluting their Admiral, or Commander in Chief, as aforesaid. Which Rules being principally intended for time of Peace, you are to take notice, that you do not, during War, fire any Gun in Salute, unto any Ships or Castles whatsoever ; unless to Ships or Castles of some Foreign Prince or State, in Amity with Their Majesties, and in Saluting them, you are to observe the Rules already given in this, and the Thirty First Article.

Seizure of Prize.

XXXIV. In case of your seizure of any Prize in time of War, you are to take care, that immediately upon the seizing thereof, the Hatches be spiked up, and that all the Goods and Merchandizes belonging to her, as also the Ships Furniture, be secured from Imbezlement, and the Ship brought into Harbour, there to be proceeded against in the High Court of Admiralty. And you are also to cause the Officers of the Prize to be Examined, and Three or more of the Company, that can give the best Evidence, to be reserved, and (together with all the Charter Parties, Bills of Lading, and other Papers found aboard) to be sent up unto the High Court of Admiralty.

Watch on Board.

XXXV. In Order to the preventing those sad Accidents, which do too frequently happen on Board Ships by Fire. You are to take special care, that every Night, presently after the setting of the Watch, both Fire and Candle be put out, especially in the Hold, Steward-Room, and Cock-Pit, and you are to appoint some careful Officer to go into the Cook-Room, and between Decks to see the same performed ; and that afterwards there be no Candles in private Cabbins, or for the Ships use, but in Lanthorns : And you are likewise strictly to prohibit taking of Tobacco, unless in the Fore-Castle, (where there is one) over a Tub of Water, or where there is no Fore-Castle, upon the upper Deck.

Not to hazard his Masts in blowing Weather.

XXXVI. You are to be very careful to favour your Top-Masts, and not to hazard them in Blowing-Weather, unless upon a Chase, or some other pressing occasion : And you are also to observe seasonable times for setting up the Shrouds, Back-Stays, &c. especially when new, and apt to stretch.

XXXVII. Upon

XXXVII. Upon your meeting with any Foreign Ship or Vessel, you are to send on Board her, some Person (for whose Civil Deportment you will be responsible) to see if there be any of Their Majesties Subjects on board her, contrary to Their Majesties Proclamation, forbidding any of their Subjects to serve any Foreign Prince or State; and such as shall be found, you are to cause to be taken forth, and you are to compel the Master, or Commander of the Ship, in which they shall be found, to pay them all such Wages as shall be due unto them for the time they have served: Which, as it may be a means to make Their Majesties Subjects discover themselves, when they are on Board Strangers Ships, so will it also make Foreigners less apt to entertain them.

To search after English Seamen in Foreign Ships.

XXXVIII. You are also to search all private Men of War, which you shall meet with, whether they be Their Majesties Subjects or Foreigners, and in case you shall find Aboard them any English Goods, Arms, Provisions of War, or Victuals, to make strict enquiry from whence they had the same; and in case a good accompt be not given thereof, or that you shall have just cause to suspect the same was taken from some of Their Majesties Subjects, you are then to bring the Vessels into some of Their Majesties Ports or Harbours, there to be proceeded against according to their demerit.

And private Men of War.

XXXIX. For Regulating of the unnecessary Waste, and Expence of Gunners Stores, you are carefully to observe the following Rules and Directions:

To prevent unnecessary Expence of Gunners Stores.

1. You are not to allow upon the Gunners Accompt for the waste of any Iron-Work, Beds, Coins, Copper-Ladles, Sheet-Lead, Tan'd-Hides, or other Stores not perishable, unless it shall really appear, that the same were lost, or wasted in Service.

2. After the Ordnance shall be laden fit for Service, the Powder and Shot not to be scaled oftener than once in Six Months, unless upon extraordinary occasion.

3. That for the First Month, the Men be exercised twice every Week, to the end they may become good Fire-Men, allowing Six Shot to every Exercising: That the Second Month, they be exercised once every Week, and after that, only once in Two Months, allowing Six Shot to every Exercising.

4. That no Armorer or Gun-Smith be received on Board any of Their Majesties Ships, but such as shall be approved of by the Master of Their Majesties Ordnance for sufficient Workmen, and not to receive their Pay, but upon Certificate from that Office, that they have well discharged their Duty.

5. That after an Engagement with an Enemy, an exact Survey be taken by the Captain, and other Principal Officers of the Ship, (if absent from the Flag) or if with the Flag, by such as the Commander in Chief shall appoint, of all the Powder under his Charge, whether in Barrels, Cartroaches, Guns-Laden, Collars of Bandaliers, or otherwise; and that the said Survey be affirmed under their Hands, that from thence the Expence of Powder, during the Fight, may be ascertained.

6. You are to Certifie unto the Master of Their Majesties Ordnance, from time to time, what Ordnance, Powder, Shot, or other Gunners Stores, shall come into your own, or the Gunners Charge, out of any Ship taken as Prize, and that the same be charged on the Gunners Accompt, and attested by your self, and other the Principal Officers of the Ship, under your Hands.

7. Upon the Death of any Gunner at Sea, the Commander of the Ship is immediately to cause a remain of all his Stores to be taken, and attested under his own, and other the Principal Officers Hands, and transmit the same by the first opportunity unto the Office of Their Majesties Ordnance, there to remain as a Charge upon the succeeding Gunner, in passing his Accompt: And the Commanders are likewise to cause the like Surveys to be taken of the Victuals, Boatswain, and Carpenters Stores, upon the Death at Sea of any of the Officers intrusted with the said Victuals and Stores, and transmit the same, attested as aforesaid, unto the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy.

8. That every Captain upon his approach into Harbour, do send up word thereof, to the end that timely Order may be given for taking the remains of Gunners Stores, so soon as the Ship shall come into Harbour, and that before he leave his Ship, he cause the Powder-Room to be made fast, and lockt up, and other the Gunners Stores secured, untill the remains be taken.

To receive no Merchandize on Board.

XL. And whereas frequent Complaints have been made, that the Commanders of Their Majesties Ships do frequently in their going forth unto, and returning from Foreign Parts, receive on Board Merchandizes of all sorts, by which Their Majesties Service is not only dishonoured, and Trade prejudiced, but also many times Their Majesties are defrauded of the Right and Duties, payable unto the Entry of such Goods and Merchandizes, to Their Majesties great Damage. It is hereby Ordered and Declared, That no Captain or Officer of any of Their Majesties Ships, shall upon any pretence whatsoever, take in, or carry on Board any of their said Ships, any sort or kind of Goods or Merchandizes: Gold, Silver, and Jewels, only excepted, as they will answer the contrary at their utmost Perils.

To order the disposal of no Stores without his Warrant.

XLI. You are hereby Required, not to Dispose, or Command the Disposal of any of the Goods, Provisions, or Stores of any sort, belonging to, or within the charge of any of your under Officers, without a Warrant first given in Writing under your Hand to the said Officer requiring the same. And in order to the doing timely right, both to Their Majesties, and your under Officers, in this particular, the Principal Officers and Commissioners of the Navy are, before the ordering the payment of your Wages, to satisfy themselves in your having done full right herein, both to Their Majesties, and your said under Officers, taking care, that all Complaints or Demands of any Under-Officer, in reference to this particular, shall be presented to the Comptroller of Their Majesties Navy, by the said Under-Officer, within Ten days at the furthest, after the pay of a Ship.

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XLII. You are upon all occasions of Removal, Suspension, or Confinement of any Under-Officer, to see that full care be first taken, for the right Inventoring all Provisions and Stores remaining in the Ship, under the Charge of the Person so to be removed, suspended, or confined, and a Receipt for the same given him, by the Person who shall be appointed to keep and employ the same, as you will answer for whatever Damages may accrue, either to Their Majesties, or the said Person, by your failure therein.

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XLV. You are hereby strictly Charged and Required, not to go with Their Majesties Ship under your Command, into any other Port than you are particularly directed by your Orders, unless in case of inevitable necessity, nor stay in Port, (upon any pretence whatsoever) longer than Their Majesties Service, which you are employed upon, shall Require the same, and Wind and Weather will permit for your going out to Sea, as you will answer the contrary at your utmost Perils.

*Not to go into, or
stay in Port without
Orders, or longer than
directed.*

XLIV. You are at the end of the Voyage, and before Pay-Day, to deliver unto the Secretary of the Admiralty, for the Information of Their Majesties, or the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, and to the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy, a Journal kept by your self, expressing in distinct Columns, according to the form hereafter following, *Pag. 22.* The Place of your being with your said Ship, each day at Noon, the daily changes of the Wind, all extraordinary Accidents, occasioning the Waste or Expence of Their Majesties Stores or Provisions; all Salutes, and the ground thereof, your lying from on Board at Night, with their Occasions, and ought else conducing to the satisfying of Their Majesties, or the said Lord High Admiral of *England*, or the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, as well in your general care of Their Majesties Service, as particular Compliance with these Instructions, in this your Employment, from the day of your Ships entrance into Sea, to that of the delivery of the said Journal, as aforesaid, into the Office of the Navy; and in case of your removal out of the said Ship, during the Voyage, you are to deliver your said Journal, attested under your Hand, to the succeeding Commander thereof; who is hereby required, at the end of the Voyage, (as you in such case also are) to deliver unto the said Secretary, and to the Principal Officers and Commissioners of the Navy, together with his own, the said Journal of his Predecessor. And you are by all opportunities that shall present, during your being abroad, to give to the said Secretary of the Admiralty, for the like Information of Their Majesties, or the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, and to the said Principal Officers and Commissioners, an account of your Ships Proceedings.

*To deliver a Journal
of the Voyage to the
Secretary of the Ad-
miralty, &c.*

XLV. And whereas it is most evident, that not only the Honour and good Success of Their Majesties Service, but the greatest part of the well Management, and good Husbandry to be hoped for therein, depends upon the thorow Execution of these Instructions. And whereas

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Instructions.*

the manner in which the same are Executed, does, or ought, chiefly to discover it self to the Principal Officers and Commissioners of the Navy in General, and in some part in a more particular Degree, to the Comptroller, Surveyor, and Clerk of the Acts, according to the respective Offices: Within the Cognizance whereof several Articles of these Instructions do in an especial manner fall; you are therefore not to expect the payment of all, or any part of the Wages which shall arise from this your Employment of Commander in Their Majesties said Ship, until the said Principal Officers and Commissioners, and particularly the Three last mentioned, shall by Certificate under their Hands, signify to the Treasurer of Their Majesties Navy, their being satisfied in your full performance of so much of these Instructions, as fall under their joyn't or particular Observation; which Certificates, the said Principal Officers and Commissioners are hereby joyn'tly and severally forbid to grant without such satisfaction first received, but on the contrary, faithfully to report to the Secretary of the Admiralty for the Information of Their Majesties, or the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, whatever Articles of these Instructions, they shall by any means understand your Failer in the performance of, as they will answer to Their Majesties, or the said Lord High Admiral of *England*, or the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, for the evils, which must inevitably attend the Service from their omitting so to do. And forasmuch as there are found several Articles in these Instructions, the breach whereof may not appear before the determination of your present Commission, nor can either be sufficiently satisfied for, by the Forfeiture of your Wages, or have its punishment conveniently assigned, before the same, with its different circumstances be thoroughly known. It is hereby declared, That in such Cases, care will be taken by Their Majesties, or the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, to see the said Defaults strictly accompted for, and punished by excluding the Persons guilty, from a capacity of future Employment, or otherwise, as the Nature of the case shall require.

To follow these and
all other Instructions.

XLVI. Lastly, you are punctually to observe and follow all and every of the Instructions aforegoing, and such further Orders and Instructions, as you shall from time to time receive from Their Majesties, the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, or any other your Superior Officer in the Fleet, as also the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy, in what concerns either the fitting forth of Their Majesties Ships, maintaining them abroad with Stores and Provisions, or discharging them, and their Companies, at the end of the Voyage.

By Command of the Admiralty
John Smith ORDERS

ORDERS

Establisht for the Well-Government of Their Majesties Ships, and Preservation of Good Order among the respective Commanders, Officers, and Seamen, serving Their Majesties in the same; the Execution whereof is directed by the first Article of the foregoing Instructions.

I. THAT whatsoever Person, serving Their Majesties in any of their said Ships, shall be heard to Swear, Curse, or Blaspheme the Name of God, shall, upon proof thereof made, forfeit for every such offence, the full value of one Days Pay, according to the capacity wherein they respectively serve. *Forfeit one Days Pay for Swearing.*

II. That whoever shall be found guilty of Drunkenness, shall, for every such Offence, undergo the like forfeiture, excepting Commanders, and other Commission or Warrant-Officers; whose first Offence of this kind, shall, upon proof thereof made before the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy, and the same found sufficient, upon their report thereof to Their Majesties, or the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, be punished by being rendred incapable of holding any further Command or Office in Their Majesties Service. *Forfeit of Drunkenness.*

III. That every Man, serving Their Majesties for able Seaman's Pay, or under, who shall be convicted of telling a Lye, shall be punished by being hoisted upon the Main-stay, with the Fore-braces, ha-a Broom and a Shovel tied to his Back, where he shall continue half an hour, every Man crying out, *A Lye, a Lye*: And for the Week following it shall be his Duty to make clean the Ships Head and Sides without Board, according to the ancient practice of the Navy; and where the Persons so offending shall receive greater Wages than that of an able Seaman, he shall for the same forfeit half the Value of a Days Pay, according to the respective capacity wherein they so serve. *Forfeit on telling a Lye.*

IV. That he that shall be found guilty of Theft, shall be, at the first opportunity of doing the same, Towed a Shore, and be obliged out of his Wages to make satisfaction to the Party injur'd, to the full value of the Goods stolen, and receive such further Punishment for his said offence, as by the Commander of the Ship shall be thought expedient. *Theft mulct'd.*

V. If any Person shall presume to lie on Shore, (without leave from his Superiour Officers,) he shall forfeit for the first time of his so offending, *Shore without leave punished.*

fending Two Days Pay, for the Second Four, for the Third a Week, according to the Capacity, wherein he serves Their Majesties, and for the Fourth, to be discharged as a Run-away, upon the Ships Books.

*Neglect of Watch
punished.*

VI. That he, that is found in his Cabbin, or in any place between Decks, when his turn is to be on the Watch, unless otherwise appointed by his Superiour Officer, shall forfeit the Value of One Days Pay, according to his Capacity, as aforesaid.

*Sleep in Watch
time punished.*

VII. He that is found a sleep on the Deck, in his Watch, or shall have a Candle in his Cabbin, or between Decks, when the Watch is set, unless it be by Command of his Captain, or other Superiour Officers, shall receive such punishment for his said Offence, as by the Commander of the Ship shall be thought reasonable.

Defile the Decks.

VIII. That he that Pisseth between Decks, or otherwise easeth himself, either there, or in any other place, than such as is appointed on that behalf, shall for the said Offence, be brought to the Capstern, and there receive on his bare Back, so many Lashes, according to the practice of the Sea, (not exceeding Twelve) as the Commander of the Ship shall think fit.

*Read these Penalties
Monthly.*

IX. That the Commander of each Ship, do take Care to call upon the Clerk of the Acts of Their Majesties Navy, for Printed Copies of these Rules, and not only see the same fairly pasted upon a Board, and hung up upon some convenient place in the Steeridge, where every Man may readily come to peruse the same; but to cause the said Rules to be publickly Read over in the hearing of his whole Ships Company, once at least in every Month during the Voyage.

*To be strict in the
Execution of all the
foregoing Penalties.*

X. That where just proof shall be made before the Commander of any of Their Majesties Ships, that any Officer, or Seamen under his Command, have committed any of the Offences herein Enumerated, and that the same cannot conveniently be brought before a Court-Martial, to be tried according to the Laws in that behalf, establish'd by Act of Parliament, in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty, King *Charles* the Second of Blessed Memory: The said Commander to take strict care as well to see the Corporal Punishments herein provided, duly and solemnly executed, as to keep a perfect account in Writing of what Forfeitures of Wages shall by Virtue hereof have been incurr'd by any Person during the Voyage, and to deliver the said account to the Comptroller of Their Majesties Navy, at the Pay of his Ships Company, in order to the defaulting the same out of the Wages of every Offender, to be disposed of to the use of the Chest.

By Command of the Board
Attest THE

T H E INSTRUCTIONS

Established for the Lieutenants of Their Majesties Ships referred
to in the 7th. Article of the Commanders beforegoing.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS for *Lieutenants*
appointed *to* of Their Majesties Ships ~~the~~

You are to obey, and execute all Orders you shall at any time receive from your Commander, or from any other your Superior Officer of the Fleet, wherein you shall be employed.

2. You are not to go on Shore, or otherwise depart from on Board Their Majesties said Ship, whereto you are appointed Lieutenant, without the knowledge and leave of your Commander.

3. You are to take upon your self the entire Charge and Conduct of Their Majesties said Ship, and stand accountable for the well executing the whole Duty of Commander thereof, during the absence, or in case of the Death of your said Commander, with respect as well to the General printed Instructions given to Commanders, (a Copy whereof is hereunto annexed) as any other particular Orders of Their Majesties, the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, or other Superior Officer, given to your said Commander.

4. You are to keep a compleat Journal, answering in all things to the form on the other side, and to deliver one Copy thereof under your Hand at the end of the Voyage, to the Secretary of the Admiralty, for the Information of Their Majesties, or the Lord High Admiral of *England*, or the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being; and another to the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy.

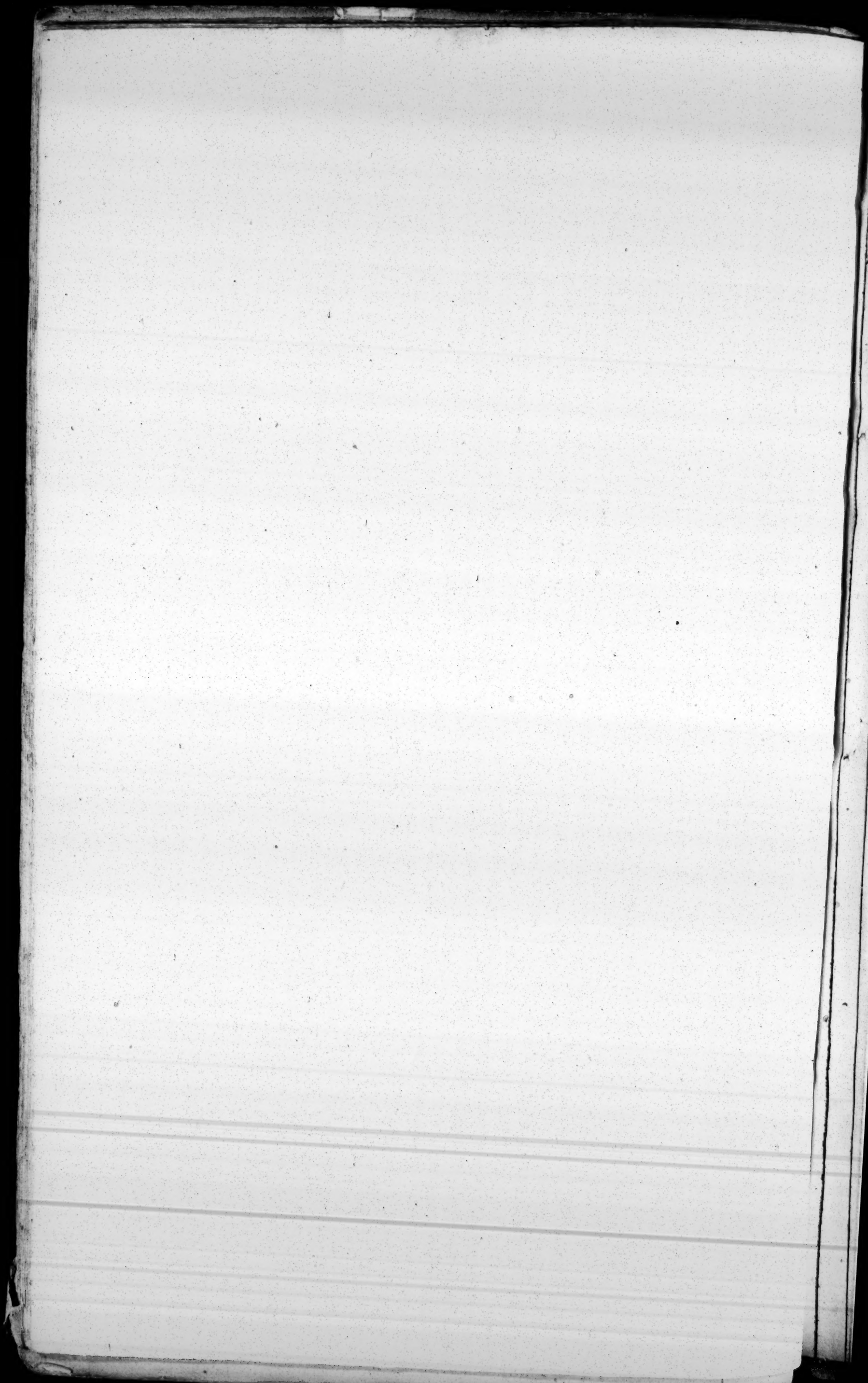
5. You are to inform your Captain in all Misdemeanours, and Neglects of any the under-Officers or Company of the said Ship, and of all Misbehaviours which shall come to your Knowledge of any Passengers, or others, which shall be on Board you.

Lastly, You are not to expect the Payment of all, or any part of your Wages for your Service as Lieutenant of Their Majesties said Ship, until the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy shall, by Certificate under their Hands, signify to the Treasurer thereof, their being satisfied in your full performance, of so much of these Instructions, as fall under their joyn't, or particular Observations, in the same manner, in every respect, as is at this Day directed to be done in the case of Commanders, by the 46th. ARTICLE of their aforesaid General INSTRUCTIONS.

By Command of the Board

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*The Form of a MUSTER-BOOK, directed to be kept by the Commanders of
Their Majesties Ships in the 13th Article of these Instructions.*

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these Instructions.*

Remarkable Observations and Accidents.

INSTRUCTIONS

To be Observed in the Impresting or Vending of Cloaths on Board their Majesties Ships, according to the 28 Article of the foregoing Instructions.

I. **T**hat these several kinds of Cloaths, viz. Coats, Breeches, ~~Gowns~~ of Broad Cloth, ~~Monmouth~~ Caps, Red Caps, Yarn Stockings, Irish Stockings, Blew Shirts, Wastcoats, and Breeches of Kersey, Neats Leather Shoes, Blew Neck Cloaths, Canvas Suits, Blew Suits, ~~Beds, Blankets, Pillows~~, and these alone be permitted to be Sold, for the benefit of those Seamen that shall want them.

2. That before any of the said Cloaths be sold on Board any of Their Majesties Ships, the Prizes thereof be rated by the Captain, Master, Boatswain, and Gunner thereof, or any three of them, which at the highest Valuation ought in no wise to exceed the Rates hereunder mentioned.

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Broad- { Coats each—	1. 0. 0	Kersey Breeches each—	0. 10. 0
Cloth { Breeches each—	0. 12. 0	Neats Leath. Shoes per pair—	0. 3. 0
Gowns { Gowns each—	1. 0. 0	Blew Neckcloths each—	0. 3. 0
Monmouth Caps each—	0. 2. 0	Canvas Suits each—	0. 3. 0
Red Caps each—	0. 1. 1	Blew Suits each—	0. 5. 0
Yarn Stockings each—	0. 3. 0	Blas each—	—
Irish Stockings per pair—	0. 1. 2	Blankets each—	—
Blew Shirts each—	0. 3. 6	Pillows each—	—
Kersey Wastcoats each—	0. 7. 0		

3. That upon no pretence whatsoever, the Vender of the said Cloaths shall exact by greater price than shall be stated by the Captain, Master, Boatswain and Gunner, as abovesaid.

4. That as often as the Principal Officers, and Commissioners of Their Majesties Navy shall see cause, they shall set or alter the Rates upon the forementioned Cloaths and Goods, according to which they shall be vended for that Year, or sold longer, unless altered by their Order.

5. That none of the said Cloaths be permitted to be sold to any of the Ship's Company, till they have served two full Months from their entrance into Sea-wages, and then not above the value of Ten Shillings, and rateably every two Months Ten Shillings more, to the end of the Voyage.

6. That no Tobacco, Strong-Waters, nor other such like Commodities, be sold on Board, nor any Debts for the same, or other old Scores, be inserted in any Certificate to be paid for as Cloaths, or under the pretence of Cloaths, at the peril of the Commander, Master, Boatswain, and Gunner, that shall sign to the said Certificate.

7. That no payment be made to, nor Monies collected by the Venders of the said Cloaths, Treasurer, or his Pay-Master, nor any other for their use, without a Certificate under the Hands of the Cap-
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tain, Master, Boatswain, and Gunner of the respective Ships, or any three of them, specifying the several kinds of Cloaths sold, the quantities of each kind, Parties to whom, and the total Sum due for each Party.

8. That at the discharge of any Man that hath been intrusted with Cloaths, the Purser take care at his peril, to set apart upon the Ticket of that Man, (*in Words and not Figures*) the total Sum trusted; and at the end of every Voyage, to specify in the Margin of his Sea-Books for the *Treasurer*, and the rest of the *Principal Officers and Commissioners*, each Man's particular Debts for Cloaths, that so the same may be defaulted by the *Pay-Master* accordingly.

9. That no Debts whatsoever inserted by the *Purser*, either upon his Sea-Book, or Mens Tickets, other than for Cloaths, and the kinds of Cloaths hereby tolerated to be sold, shall be stayed from poor Sea-men by the *Treasurer*, or his *Pay-Master*, upon no pretence whatsoever at their perils.

10. That the said Cloaths be supplied by the *Vender*, as aforesaid, to such only as shall appear to the *Commander*, and other *Officers* of the Ship, to be in present want thereof, and to be sold always above Decks, at the *Main Mast*, in the presence of the said *Captain, Officers*, and the whole Ship's Company.

11. That the Cloaths of any Sea-man dying in Their Majesties Service, be sold in manner aforesaid, and reckoned as part of the proportion hereby allowed to the Sea-man, who shall buy the same, the proceed whereof is to be paid by the *Pay-Master*, at the Pay-Table, and by him forthwith accounted for to the *Executors or Administrators* of the Person deceased, upon the *Purser's* Certificate of the Sum charged on the *Sea-Book*, who for his care in attending and charging the same, is to expect the consideration hereunder provided in other cases, and no more.

12. That the *Vender* of Cloaths shall allow to each *Purser* Twelve-pence upon every Pound, for issuing his Cloaths, and keeping his Accounts; and no other Fees or Defaultations shall be exacted or required for the same.

13. That if any difference shall arise between the *Purser* and the *Slopseller*, or that the *Slopseller* shall for any Reasons known to himself, (or that the *Purser* presuming that the *Slopseller* can employ no other, obligeth him to any disadvantageous terms) be unwilling to put his Goods into the *Purser's* Hands, it may be permitted him to entrust them with the *Master*, or any other *Officer* in the Ship.

Additional Instructions to be observed in the Impresting or Vending of Cloaths on Board any of Their Majesties Ships, pursuant to an Order of His late Majesty in Council, dated the 20th. of February, 1683.

1. **T**hat the *Slopseller* of Their Majesties Navy be obliged to send unto the Navy-Board a perfect Invoice of such Slop-Cloaths, as he shall at any time send on Board any of Their Majesties Ships, so soon as he shall have sent the same down to the Ships.

2. That in case there shall be occasion of buying of Cloaths abroad in Foreign parts, for the answering the Necessities of the Seamen in any of Their Majesties Ships, that the Cloaths so bought be, as near as may be, of the quality of the Cloaths appointed by the present Rules; and that, at their being brought on Board the Ships, the Purfers do give a true Invoice of the said Cloaths unto the Commander, who is to take care that all the said Cloaths be actually brought on Board the Ship, and to see that moderate Rates be set on the same, and the Commander to transmit unto the Navy-Board by the first opportunity a Copy of the said Invoice, mentioning therein the Prices set upon the several sorts of Cloaths, at which they are to be sold unto the Seamen.

3. That when the Ship shall come into the Port to be laid up, the Commander do forthwith return unto the Comptroller of Their Majesties Navy a perfect Slop-Book signed by himself, and the Master, Boatswain, and Gunner, or any two of them, expressing the several kinds of Cloaths that have been sold on Board the Ship, during the Voyage, the quantity of each kind, the Parties to whom, and the Price at which they were sold. And that the Comptroller of the Navy do cause the Sea-Book to be carefully examined by the Slop-Book.

4. That the Comptroller of the Navy, do also cause the Invoices of Cloaths brought on Board their Majesties Ships, which are directed to be transmitted to the Navy-Board, to be carefully compared with the Slop-Book and Sea-Book.

5. That the Slop-seller be duly paid, at the paying off the Ship, all such Sums of Money, as shall appear unto the Comptroller of the Navy, upon making up his account of Cloaths to be due unto him, for such Slop-Cloaths of his, of the sorts expressed in the Rules for Cloaths, as have been sold to the Seamen. As also, that he do receive the Money due to him for Cloaths on the Tickets of Men discharged upon the payment of the said Tickets.

6. That in the Condition of Bonds which Purfers do give for the faithful discharge of their Employments, there be a clause inserted obliging them to give a true and just account unto the Slop-seller of such Cloaths as he shall commit to their charge.

7. That the Purser do, before the paying off the Ship, give unto the Slop-seller a particular account under his Hand of what Cloaths of the said Slop-sellers he hath issued during the Voyage.

8. That no Money be defaulted out of the Seamens Wages at Pay-Table for any Cloaths pretended to have been sold to him by any Persons whatsoever, other than for such Cloaths as answer to the Established Rules for vending of Cloaths, and which were actually issued on Board the Ships, and duly charged on the Sea-Book.

By Command of the Council
Attorney

